

Public Notice of Application for Permit

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PUBLIC NOTICE DATE:

January 8, 2004

EXPIRATION DATE:

February 8, 2004

REFERENCE NUMBER:

4-2003-1604

WATERWAY NUMBER: Chena-Badger Slough 0138

Interested parties are hereby notified that an application has been received for a Department of the Army permit for certain work in waters of the United States as described below and shown on the attached plan.

APPLICANT: Mr. Andrew Ault, Post Office Box 58211, Fairbanks, Alaska, 99711

<u>LOCATION</u>: The project would be located approximately 1.3 miles east from the intersection of Dennis and Bradway Roads, on Bradway Road in section 26, T. 1 South, R. 1 East, Fairbanks Meridian, Latitude 64° 48′ 21″ N., Longitude 147° 29′ 53″ W. The project area is located on lots 22 and 23 of Blueberry Acres Subdivision, North Pole, Alaska.

<u>WORK</u>: Clearing, excavation and deposit of materials on approximately 5.45 acres of wetlands for the proposed development of a residential lot. A material/borrow pit (150'x270'x32'deep) will be excavated to yield approximately 14,000 cubic yards of gravel to construct the house site, shop site, driveway, parking area, and yard in accordance with the attached plans, sheets 1-4, dated 01/02/04.

PURPOSE: The development of a single-family home and its' attended features.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: During the winter months, while the ground is well frozen, mechanized landclearing will be used to remove all vegetation within the project area. Most of the area to fill has a strong vegetative mat and will not require an underlying fabric to keep material from migrating into the soil. If an underlying fabric is required, the applicant plans on using 1" slab wood or cut down trees for the mat. The house site, shop site and sewer/septic system sites will require excavation to allow for a good gravel base. An additional 0.92 acres material/borrow site will be excavated onsite from where all, or most of the fill material, will come from. The driveway will intersect with Bradway Road and run south across the property to the borrow pit located at the southern lot line. Two culverts will be installed under the road fill to allow for surface flows. Proposed road material will be excavated gravel, and driveway will be 30' to 35' wide and 3' deep. The driveway side slopes will be constructed to a 2% grade.

WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION: A permit for the described work will not be issued until a certification or waiver of certification as required under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (Public Law 95-217), has been received from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

Comments on the described work, with the reference number, should reach this office no later than the expiration date of this Public Notice to become part of the record and be considered in the decision. Please contact Mr. Forrest E. McDaniel at (907) 474-2166, or email at Forrest-E.McDaniel@poa02.usace.army.mil if further information is desired concerning this notice.

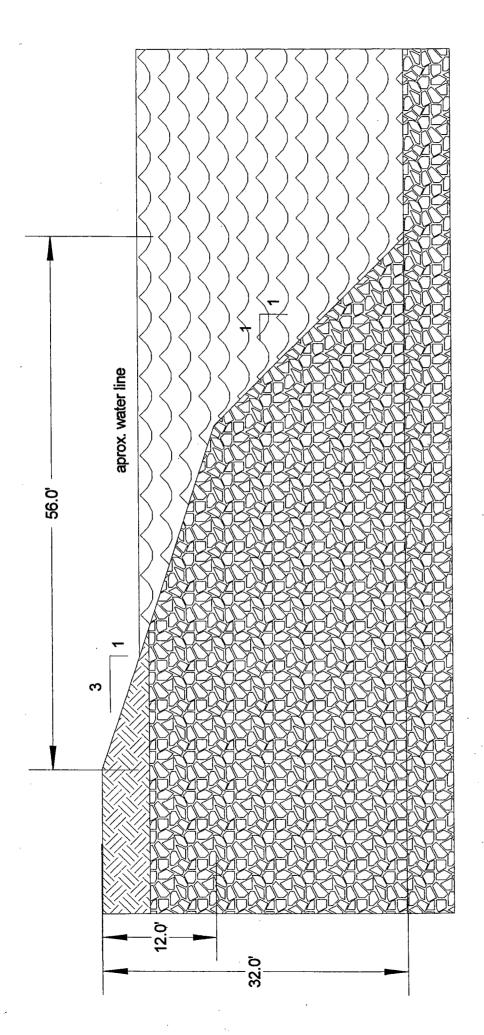
AUTHORITY: This permit will be issued or denied under the following authority:

Discharge dredged or fill material into waters of the United States - Section 404 Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344). Therefore, our public interest review will consider the guidelines set forth under Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act (40 CFR 230).

A plan and Notice of Application for State Water Quality Certification are attached to this Public Notice.

District Engineer U.S. Army, Corps of Engineers

Attachments



On Site Borrow Pond; Bank Cross Section

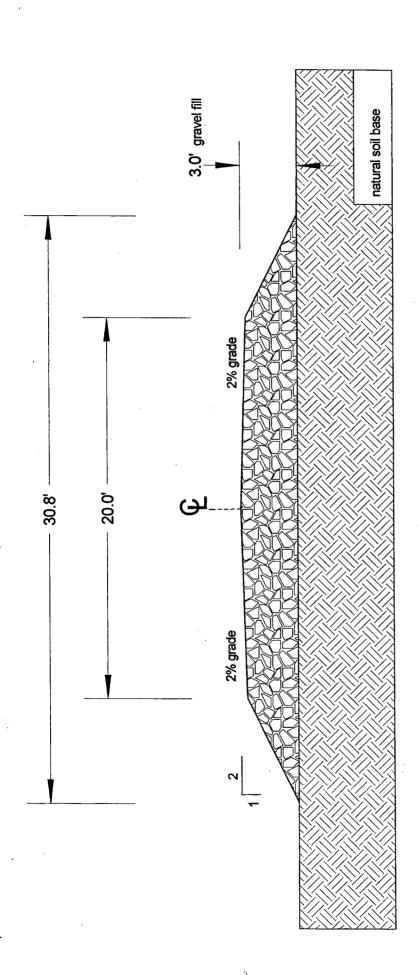
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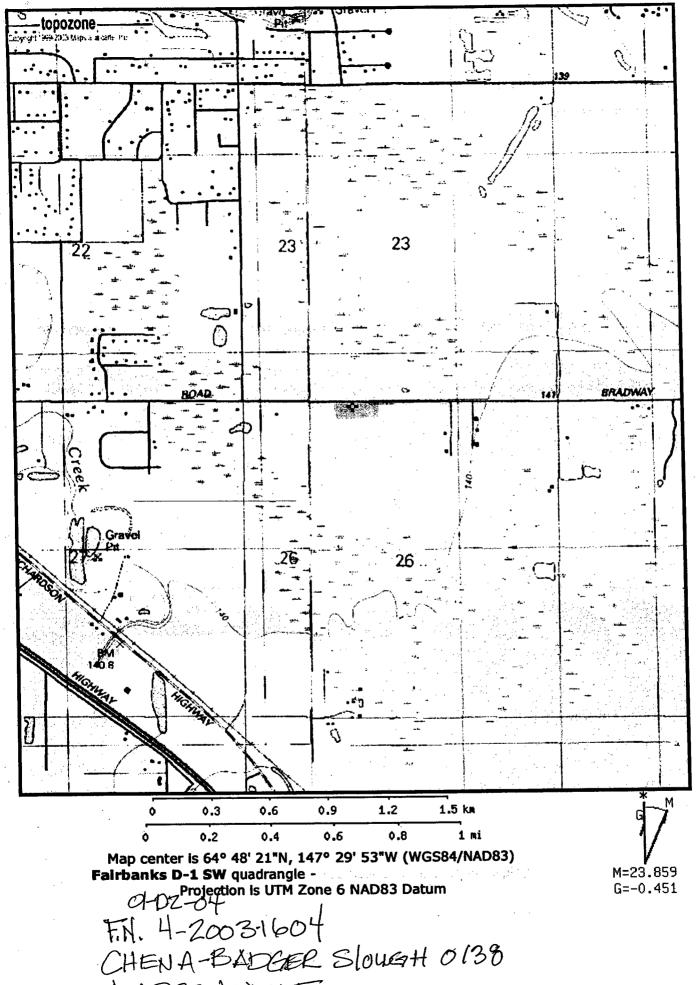
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Drive way off Bradway road cross section

1"=5' 12/16/03

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